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November 20, 1961

The Reverend Vincent F. Beatty, S. J. Office of the President Loyola College Baltimore 10, Maryland

Dear Father Beatty:

Thank you so very much for your kind invitation of November 15th to be a dinner guest at Loyola College. Certainly it would be an honor to be classed with the prominent citizens who have preceded me at your special dinner.

However, in keeping with a newly established Agency policy it has been decided that I should remain more or less anonymous for the next nine months or a year in my new position and therefore I am declining all invitations to make speeches, write articles or accept honorary degrees from a number of Universities.

I am sure you can appreciate the reasons for this policy and I do hope that I will have a further opportunity some time in the future to accept your kind invitation.

Yours most sincerely,

/S/ John A. McCone (S/by TML)

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